

TOWN OF DAVIE TOWN COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor and Councilmembers

FROM/PHONE: Russell Muniz, CMC, Town Clerk/954-797-1020

PREPARED BY: Barbara McDaniel, MMC, Assistant Town Clerk

SUBJECT: Advisory Board Annual Reports

AFFECTED DISTRICT: Townwide

ITEM REQUEST: **Schedule for Council Meeting**

TITLE OF AGENDA ITEM: Sunsetting of Certain Boards - Mayor Truex

REPORT IN BRIEF: At the February 6th Town Council meeting, Mayor Truex requested that Council discuss sunsetting certain advisory boards. The required annual reports have been received from the boards with the exception of: Agricultural Advisory Board, Budget Advisory Committee, and Youth Education & Safety Advisory Board. The need for the annual report has been communicated to these boards.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS: n/a

CONCURRENCES: n/a

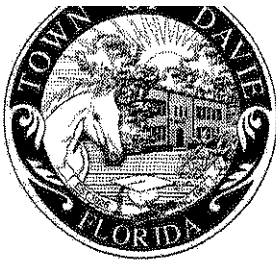
FISCAL IMPACT: not applicable

Has request been budgeted? n/a

RECOMMENDATION(S):

Attachment(s): Tabulation of meetings held and annual reports from: Airport/Transportation Advisory Board, Open Space Advisory Committee, Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Committee and Water and Environmental Advisory Board.

	2007 MEETINGS			
	Scheduled	Held	Cancelled due to No Quorum	Planned Cancellations
Agricultural Advisory Board	12	8	3	1
Airport/Transportation Advisory Board	6	2	2	2
Budget Advisory Board	12	10	2	0
Open Space Advisory Committee	7	7	0	0
Parks & Rec Advisory Board	12	12	0	0
Senior Citizen Advisory Committee	6	5	1	0
Water and Environmental Advisory Board	6	1	5	0
Youth Education and Safety Advisory Board	6	4	2	0



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Memorandum

TO: Mayor and Town Council
Gary Shimun, Town Administrator
Ken Cohen, Assistant Town Administrator

FROM: Janet Gale, Administrative Secretary *JS*

THROUGH: Russell Muniz, CMC, Town Clerk *RM*

THROUGH: Barbara McDaniel, MMC, Assistant Town Clerk *BM*

SUBJECT: 2007 Advisory Boards/Committees Annual Reports

DATE: January 31, 2008

Attached are the annual reports which have been received -
Airport/Transportation Advisory Board, Open Space Advisory Committee,
Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Senior Citizen Advisory Committee, and
Water & Environmental Advisory Board.

The following have not submitted reports: Agricultural Advisory Board, Budget
Advisory Committee, and Youth Education & Safety Advisory Board.

TOWN OF DAVIE
AIRPORT/TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD
2007MEETING RESULTS AND SUMMARY

Airport Expansion

Part 150 F.A.A. Study: This study continues to be delayed by the F.A.A. It is two years behind schedule and is still the most critical element for Airport expansion to determine the cost of mitigation for our mobile home community. Despite this delay and the efforts of this Board and the elected officials of The Town of Davie in presentations to The Broward County Commission, they voted to approve the expansion. The County's estimate of the cost involved is at least under stated by 100% and is at least 5 to 8 years away for completion. Total flights at FLL continue to decline since 2005 despite forecasted growth. A recent F.A.A. study released in December 2007 shows that 75% of all U.S. airport delays were caused by the New York area three Major airports capacity constraints. This validates what we have been saying these past two years. Currently FLL does not have a major capacity problem. There are other alternatives that the Commission should consider. I believe the Town's legal consultants are aware of these. The real issue is the F.A.A.'s outdated Air Traffic Control System.

Airport Noise problem: Board Chair Duncan Bossle and member Ernest Siegrist serve on the Broward County Airport Noise Advisory Committee (ANAC) and represent noise monitor site #9 and #1 respectfully. As stated in the 2006 Summary of this report FedEx and American Airlines are still the most egregious noise offenders. At the ANAC meeting in December 2007 FedEx agreed to have their Chief Pilot attend the next meeting in March 2008. The new FLL Airport Director will also attend. The Town of Davie Airport Advisory Board recommendation in 2006 was to send letters to these previous mentioned Airlines concerning this noise problem. We have no feedback on that status.

Transportation:

Current news media reports stated that the I-595 expansion with reversible center lanes was approved. This Advisory Board has not been involved or notified when the Town had meetings with the various Agencies.

After review of The Commons project we did endorse this project and felt negative comments on traffic congestion on the I-75 planned exit were not valid.

Future for this Advisory Board

During most of our scheduled meetings in the second half of 2007 were cancelled due to a lack of a quorum. This was caused by four vacant appointments from the Town Council which resulted in all six remaining members required to be present. A lack of communications from the Town management on scheduled meetings with the legal advisors on the Airport expansion and transportation meetings resulted in a lack of input from this Board.

As currently configured this Board is unable to serve The Town of Davie and Ordinance 2002-9 as well as Resolution R-2006-314 should be reviewed

Duncan Bossle
Chair

ACHIEVEMENT REPORT
2007
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

1. **Trail System** – As a result of recommendations from OSAC, a new extension of the equestrian trail on the west side of Flamingo Road between S W 36 Court and S W 14 Street is developing. A portion of the Central Broward Water Control District drainage easement is being used. Funding and construction of 3 canal bridges along Griffin Road between the Turnpike and University Drive as a part of an equestrian trail for the east side has been a top priority of OSAC. We have recently received costs to be able to send a recommendation to Council for funding from the Open Space Bond funds and possible grants.
2. **Ranking parcels** – OSAC ranked 9 parcels for consideration of Open Space acquisition. Of the 9, 3 were recommended for due diligence. Those parcels are ECATS 2 LLC (Flamingo and SW 26 Street west side known as Stonebridge), Lauderdale site (north of Wolf Lake) and Zafrani site on Flamingo Road if the Devine parcel, now in due diligence, does not materialize.
3. **Bond Land Purchases.** Acquisition of 3 parcels that had been recommended by OSAC added to the inventory of Davie open space. Parcels were purchased with a combination of open space bond funds, Broward County Land Preservation funds and state grants. Those parcels are the Farm Park, Old Davie School Addition and Sunny Lake Addition. OSAC agreed to support the Farm Park and recommended the Town proceed with agriculture activities on the property and the formation of Friends of the Farm Park established as a 501C3.
4. **Tree Legacy Program** – The program has been re-established with good results. OSAC supports continued publicity of this program.
5. **Recycling** – OSAC has recommended placement of recycling containers in active sports parks; i.e., Bamford, Shenandoah. Robbins Park is also recommended as a test site. At this time, staff advises that because of costs and time of staff involved, this program is not appropriate. OSAC will revisit this in the future.
6. **Charter Amendment** – OSAC has recommended a charter amendment to the Town charter be adopted to protect and preserve Davie-owned open space parcels.
7. **Trail Crossings and Signs** - OSAC has passed on recommendations for sites to be marked as trail crossings on busy roadways throughout the Town. A proposed sign ordinance has been passed on to Town staff for traffic safety near Davie trails that are in close proximity to busy roadways.
8. **Bond Criteria** – OSAC has diligently worked on a draft of Criteria for Bond Expenditures and strongly recommends council pass a guideline for adhering to the intent of the Open Space Bond monies. Without adopted criteria for expenditure, OSAC would request that any expenditures considered from open space bond funds would be placed before our Committee for consideration and recommendations.

Joyce Marie Steward
Chairman
Davie Open Space Advisory Committee

**TOWN OF DAVIE
PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
2007 ANNUAL REPORT**

Prepared by: Dennis Andresky

Board recommendations to Town Council:

Recommended to accept grant proposal for Sunny Lake Bird Sanctuary Land and Water Conservation Program Grant Project.

Recommend to defer converting roller hockey rinks to artificial turf for 18 months.

Recommend to resurface the basketball court at Potter Park and to remove the handball courts and add basketball courts at same.

Recommended the Parks and Recreation Department budget be reduced by the same percentage as the average reduction in other departments of the Town.

Recommended that Lacrosse be approved by Council as a new youth sports program for the Town.

Recommended that Council reconsider using Open Space Bond funds for park improvements previously recommended by this Board. Project ranking is attached.

Recommended to bring to the attention of Council that the Open Space Advisory Committee recommended criteria was inconsistent with the bond issue and the body of it conflicted with their own recommendations

Allow the rate for Camp Integration to be \$150.00 a day, or actual operating costs, whichever was lower for the week of July 29, 2007 to August 3, 2007.

Recommended to Council that a joint meeting with the Open Space Advisory Council and the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board be held to discuss criteria for park improvements as defined in the goals presented to voters, which were to protect the quality of water bodies, to preserve and improve wildlife habitats and parks, to complete the recreational trail system, and to protect natural areas from development.

Recommend to establish the Park & Recreation Board as the Peer Review Board to hear Complaints about volunteer coaches from staff and parents.

Recommend to have Town Council consider selling naming rights to the fields and scoreboards at the Bamford Sports Complex for pre-determined amounts and time frames due to the current budget constraints.

Recommend to support the Department Directors recommendation of not having a skate park for the following reasons: budget restrictions, lack of staffing, control issues, improvement cost and time is needed to promote the youth roller hockey program.

Other Board Actions/Discussions included:

- Parking at Bamford Park

- Defibrillators had arrived and training would be provided for staff within the next 60 days.
- Discussion of five year capital plan
- Inline roller hockey program discussion
- Sports Program Fees from Neighboring Cities
- Raising Fees in Parks and Recreation Department
- Broward County Land Preservation Acquisition Updates
- Open Space Bond Program Acquisition Updates
- Discussion of Sunny Lake Bird Sanctuary Land and Water Conservation Program Grant Project
- Discussion of Corporate Sponsors for programs to offset budget cuts
- Shenandoah Park Ball Field Renovation/Use
- Setting criteria for Council to determine priorities for park improvement projects to be funded by the Open Space Bond.
- Rising Stars Tournament
- Travel programs
- Discussion of Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program Grant for SW 8th Street Park.
- Davie Broncos Lacrosse Program
- Travel Sports Sponsorships
- Coaching criteria and coaching application
- Sports Program Fair Play Rules/Changes

1. Tennis & Basketball Court Resurfacing
2. Pine Island Park Sports Field
3. Driftwood Park Playground Equipment
4. Potter Park Ball Field Renovation
5. Berman Park Shelter
6. Picnic Tables
7. Ball Field Infield Machine
8. Adult/Senior Vita Course
9. Bergeron Park Playground
10. Fitness Center Equipment
11. Pine Island Multipurpose Center Office Addition
12. Bamford Playground Slide
13. Pine Island Multipurpose Center Carpet
14. Golf Cart
15. Falcon's Lea Park Pool
16. Shenandoah Park Ball Field Improvements
17. Duplicator – not needed

**Town of Davie
Senior Citizen Advisory Committee**

2007 Annual Report

Submitted by Marguerite Olson, Chairperson

1. The Committee decided, by motion, to have meetings every other month and not meet during June, July and August. This calendar year the committee met four (4) times; January 9, March 20, September 11, and November 13, 2007. May 8th meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum.
2. The Committee had two fantastic guest speakers this year. Officer Tiffany Richards from Davie Police Department, and Minerva Santana from the Florida Department of Financial Services.
3. Fortunately the Town was spared any Hurricanes this year. This Committee is still alarmed and concerned to learn that there are many Davie residents who are still homeless from Hurricane Wilma in 2005. Affordable housing for the elderly remains a top concern.
4. The Committee discussed Communities of a Life Time from the Florida Department of Elder Affairs.
5. All members were invited to the Annual Volunteer Luncheon at Tropical Acres.

**WATER & ENVIRONMENTAL BOARD
END OF THE YEAR REPORT**

**Chairman: Don Prichard
Vice-Chair: Jeff Rubinoff**

I took the position of Chairman in the Water & Environmental Board in the last few meetings and only had a quorum under one meeting, that of which I was elected by the other members. Therefore, this report will reflect my opinion of the year in review of the Water & Environmental Advisory Board for 2007.

The year 2007 for the Water & Environmental Board has been a very non-productive year. Within the year of 2007, this board had encountered the appointments of new board-members, the reduction of board-members, and several accounts of no quorums, due to the lack of participation or the ability to attend meetings from some of the board-members. This has caused the board to not efficiently conduct business with a positive, productive outcome.

Due to the lack of commitment from the board to attend the bi-monthly meetings for a quorum, this board has not met its full potential. I have recommended that the council enforce the absent three times rule, results in termination of the boardmember not in attendance. I believe that this would allow for board-members that are willing to commit to become a part of this board, which I believe is crucial to the upcoming problems within the Town and its Water.

This board has attempted to work on issues surrounding the Town to include: Water, Sewage, Drainage, etc. On the issues (which the board had attempted to work on, unsuccessfully due to the lack of quorum) the Town staff was more than helpful and committed to making every effort to help the board succeed in making recommendations to the Council. Utilities Director Bruce Taylor and Ms. Jenevia Edwards have unconditionally dedicated their time and expertise to this board without hesitation. These staff personnel should be recognized as honorable employees of the Town.

In the end, this board did not meet enough to make any type of effective end of the year report, and I would request that for their lack of participation, those boardmembers be removed from the board and be replaced with boardmembers who would be willing to attend and make a commitment to the Town and the Town's Water & Environmental Board.

Don Prichard
Chair
Town of Davie
Water & Environmental Board